to cotton prices is prohibited. Any officer or employee of the United States who authorizes or is responsible for the inclusion in any such report, bulletin, or other publication of any such prediction, or who knowingly causes the issuance or publication of any such report, bulletin, or other publication containing any such prediction, shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined not less than \$500 or more than \$5,000, or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both: *Provided*, That this subdivision shall not apply to the Governor of the Farm Credit Administration when engaged in the performance of his duties herein provided.

#### (e) Separability clause

If any provision of this chapter is declared unconstitutional, or the applicability thereof to any person, circumstance, commodity, or class of transactions with respect to any commodity is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of the chapter and the applicability of such provision to other persons, circumstances, commodities, and classes of transactions shall not be affected thereby.

## (f) Citation of chapter

This chapter may be cited as the "Agricultural Marketing Act."

### (g) "Agricultural commodity" defined

As used in this chapter, the term "agricultural commodity" includes, in addition to other agricultural commodities, crude gum (oleoresin) from a living tree, and the following products as processed by the original producer of the crude gum (oleoresin) from which derived: Gum spirits of turpentine and gum rosin, as defined in section 92 of title 7.

(June 15, 1929, ch. 24, §15, 46 Stat. 18; Mar. 4, 1931, ch. 520, §3, 46 Stat. 1550; Ex. Ord. No. 6084, Mar. 27, 1933; June 16, 1933, ch. 98, title V, §55, 48 Stat. 266; June 3, 1935, ch. 164, §12, 49 Stat. 317.)

#### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 535 of Title 7, Agriculture.

#### AMENDMENTS

1935—Subsec. (a). Act June 3, 1935, amended definition of cooperative association and inserted second sentence in par. "Third".

1933—Subsec. (a). Act June 16, 1933, among other changes, inserted proviso and all subsequent thereto.

1931—Subsec. (g). Act Mar. 4, 1931, added subsec. (g).

#### CHANGE OF NAME

"The Governor" and "Farm Credit Administration" substituted in text for "any member" and "board", respectively, and "Governor of the Farm Credit Administration" substituted for "members of the board", pursuant to Ex. Ord. No. 6084, set out preceding section 2241 of this title.

#### TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Establishment of Farm Credit Administration as an independent agency, composition of Farm Credit Administration, appointment of Governor of Farm Credit Administration, and duties thereof, including duty to perform functions, etc., of Farm Credit Administration, see section 2241 et seq of this title.

#### EXCEPTIONS FROM TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of Farm Credit Administration or any agency, officer, or entity of, under, or subject to super-

vision of said Administration excepted from functions of officers, agencies, and employees transferred to Secretary of Agriculture by Reorg. Plan No. 2 of 1953, §1, eff. June 4, 1953, 18 F.R. 3219, 67 Stat. 633, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

#### Cross References

Agricultural Fair Practices Act of 1967, association of producers as meaning cooperative association defined in this section, see section 2302 of Title 7, Agriculture.

Small Business Administration disaster loans, eligibility of small agricultural cooperatives acting as associations pursuant to this chapter, see section 632(j) of Title 15, Commerce and Trade.

#### SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in title 5 section 504; title 7 sections 499e, 2302; title 15 section 632; title 26 section 3131; title 28 section 2412; title 29 section 203; title 42 sections 410, 8802; title 49 sections 13506, 13508.

# CHAPTER 7B—REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL CREDIT CORPORATIONS

Sec.

1148. Regional agricultural credit corporations; creation; capital; management; loans; rediscounts; supervision

1148a to 1148a-3. Repealed.

1148a-4. Security for economic disaster and special livestock loans.

1148b. Additional powers of regional agricultural credit corporations.

- (a) Places of transacting business.
- (b) Borrow money.
- (c) Loans.
- (d) Sale to or purchase from other like corporations.

1148c. Consolidation or merger.

- (a) Power of Farm Credit Administration.
- (b) Status of corporations formed by consolidation.

1148d. Rights and powers unaffected by sections 1148b and 1148c.

# § 1148. Regional agricultural credit corporations; creation; capital; management; loans; rediscounts; supervision

The Farm Credit Administration is authorized to create in any of the twelve farm credit districts where it may deem the same to be desirable a regional agricultural credit corporation with a paid-up capital of not less than \$3,000,000, to be subscribed for by the Farm Credit Administration and paid for out of the unexpended balance of the amounts allocated and made available to the Secretary of Agriculture under section 2 of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation Act. Such corporations shall be managed by officers and agents to be appointed by the Farm Credit Administration under such rules and regulations as it may prescribe. Such corporations are authorized and empowered to make loans or advances to farmers and stockmen, the proceeds of which are to be used for an agricultural purpose (including crop production), or for the raising, breeding, fattening, or marketing of livestock, to charge such rates of interest or discount thereon as in their judgment are fair and equitable, subject to the approval of the Farm Credit Administration, and to rediscount with the Farm Credit Administration and the various Federal reserve banks and Federal intermediate